

Grammar **Plural Nouns**

When making nouns plural, we usually follow a set of basic rules:

- With most nouns, you just need to add an -s to make them plural.
- If they end in -s, -sh, -ch, -x or -z, then add -es.
- If they end in a consonant followed by an -o, then add -es.
- If they end in a -y, remove it and add -ies.
- If they end in -f or -fe, then remove it and add -ve.

Can you find the plural of the following words?

song	
party	
bus	
potato	
mug	
thief	
fuzz	
dish	
echo	
church	
baby	
fox	
freebie	
knife	

Remember!

A **noun** is a word for a person, place or thing.

Plural means more than one.

Some nouns don't follow these rules, however. Here are some exceptions to the rules above. Can you find out their plural form?

quiz	
goose	
woman	
foot	
sheep	
man	

tooth	
mouse	
fish	
louse	
person	
axis	
penny (coin)	
analysis	
child	
buffalo	
nucleus	
phenomenon	
alumnus	
crisis	
roof	

And some nouns have more than one possible plural! Can you find the plural forms for these nouns?

stadium		
antenna		
focus		
octopus		
hippopotamus		
index		

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song	songs	dish	dishes
party	parties	echo	echoes
bus	buses	church	churches
potato	potatoes	baby	babies
mug	mugs	fox	foxes
thief	thieves	freebie	freebies
fuzz	buzzes	knife	knives

quiz	quizzes	person	people
goose	geese	axis	axes
woman	women	penny (coin)	pence
foot	feet	analysis	analyses
sheep	sheep	child	children
man	men	buffalo	buffalo
tooth	teeth	nucleus	nuclei
mouse	mice	phenomenon	phenomena
fish	fishes	alumnus	alumni
louse	lice	crisis	crises
roof	roofs		

stadium	stadia	stadiums
antenna	antennae	antennas
focus	foci	focuses
octopus	octopi	octopuses
hippopotamus	hippopotami	hippopotamuses
index	indices	indexes